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County.

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County Clerk—John B. Means.
Treasurer—A. B. Webster.
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County Attorney—M. W. Sutton.
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City.

Mayor—James H. Kelley.
Councilmen—
Hon. D. D. Colley,
Geo. B. Cox,
C. M. Beeson,
John Newton,
F. J. Leonard.
Attorney and Clerk—M. W. Sutton.
Treasurer—Charles H. Schulz.
Police Judge—Hon. D. M. Frost.
Marshal—L. E. Deger.

Township.

Trustees—F. L. Beatty,
Clark, Chas. H. Schulz.
Treasurer—Henry Nies.
Justices—W. Y. McIntosh, D. E. Baldwin
and D. M. Frost.
Constables—James H. McGowan, High
Constable; Ed. Baldwin and David Morrow Constables.

Officers of School District No. 1—F. C. Zimmerman, President; M. Collar, Secretary; A. J. Anthony, Treasurer.

School District No. 2—Director, D. E. Baldwin; Clerk, L. Marks; Treasurer, V. Miller.

SOCIETIES.

RELIGIOUS.

PREACHING at the Union Church Building every Sunday at the hours of 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Also lectures every Wednesday evening, by REV. O. W. WRIGHT, Pastor.

L. O. O. F.

CORONA LODGE No. 17, L. O. O. F. meet at their hall, on Locust Street, every Saturday night. Visiting Brothers are cordially invited to attend. D. M. FROST, N. G.; R. G. COOK, Secretary.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

D. M. FROST,

LAW AND COLLECTION OFFICE, at A. B. Webster's store. Notary public and real estate agent.

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MURPHY & GRYDEN,

ATTORNEYS AT LAW. Will practice in the District Courts of Western Kansas, and in Federal and Supreme courts of the State.

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ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS AT LAW will practice in the District Court of Ford county. Address, Cottonwood Falls.

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YOUNG MEN

BAYLIES Great Mercantile College, Keokuk, Iowa, on the Mississippi. Nineteenth year. About sixty dollars pay all expenses for membership, board and stationery. Bookkeepers, penmen, reporters, operators, architects, surveyors and teachers thoroughly fitted. Railroad fare reduced. Good situations. No vacations. Don't fail to address Prof. Miller, Keokuk, Iowa.

ELLIS BURSTED.

Mr. R. G. Cook returned from the K. P. road this week. He interviewed some of the prominent citizens of Ellis, who seemed anxious to prevent Texas cattle from being shipped from that point. They said as Ellis is east of the dead line, and the farmers and local stock raisers determined and united in their opposition to encroachment of through cattle, the K. P. road and cattle drovers combined will not be able to get a hoof of through Texas cattle into the Ellis stock yards. The measures and plans for prevention recently adopted by the opposition to the cattle trade have overwhelmed the business men of Ellis with dismay, for they well know that if the law is enforced the town of Ellis will be 'left out in the cold,' so far as the Texas cattle trade is concerned, and the good, pious citizens of that ill-fated burg can have it nice and quiet to their hearts' content.

The K. P. road may succeed in enticing a few deluded drovers over to their line, but the moment a Texas steer crosses the Ellis county line the farmers will take him into custody. The business men and railroad company may object, and try to shield the victimized cattle men, but their efforts will be in vain. The law is dead against them; the opposition are largely in the ascendancy and will not spare money or labor to rid themselves—for all time to come—of the Texas cattle they so much dread; and they will succeed.

By the amendment to the dead line law last winter, Texas cattle are excluded from the only well-watered grazing country within shipping distance of Ellis, to-wit, Ness and Graham counties, leaving only dry, barren uplands and no shipping point to accommodate through cattle on the line of the Kansas Pacific Railroad.

On the other hand, our people will unanimously receive the drovers in open arms. Instead of harassing lawsuits they will be treated as honored guests, fed on the fat of the land and regaled with two bit drinks. Instead of bleak uplands where their magnificent herds will perish of thirst and hunger, we offer to conduct them (free of charge) to beautiful valleys of luxuriant grass, through which, at all seasons of the year, flow cool and refreshing streams of water, clear as crystal. Our stock yards, about ten miles west of the dead line, are the largest, most convenient for branding, watering, etc., of any yards in the West. Prices of groceries, provisions, etc., required for the herders' camp have been greatly reduced, while the Dodge House facilities for entertaining guests comfortably are much enhanced by recent and various improvements.

News From Texas.

Hon. R. M. Wright permitted us to peruse a private letter he received this week from San Antonio, Texas, written by Judge H. M. Boverley, in which he says: 'I think I will be in Dodge City about the last of April, and you can rest assured I will not leave Rath & Wright for any other House. The trade will be large this year. The K. P. Road is making giant efforts for it, and the prospect for it at this time is certainly good. A number of my old friends assure me, however, that Dodge City will have a better trade than last year. I received two copies of your wide awake paper, with a very good article in reference to the cattle trade this year. I had the article copied in our Daily papers and gave the Dodge City Times to some of our big drovers, who promised to talk Dodge City up big. I was glad to see an appearance of improvement in prices of everything—hotel accommodations, etc. If Dodge keeps wide awake all will be well.' The Judge may rest assured of a warm reception from his many Dodge City friends, upon his arrival.

OUR correspondent from Ellis county advises cattle men to keep their herds south of the Arkansas river.

RAIN.

A BOUNTIFUL rain visited this vicinity yesterday and to-day, enlivening the vegetation and causing the grass to spring forth with new vigor. Our stock ranges bid fair to be most excellent this season, and we hope to see them covered with long-horns at an early day.

ELECTION.

JAMES H. KELLEY, MAYOR.

The municipal election last Monday resulted in favor of James H. Kelley for Mayor, with Col. D. D. Colley, John Newton, C. M. Beeson, Geo. B. Cox and Fred J. Leonard for Councilmen. Although no issues were at stake, excepting the appointive offices, from morning till night a crowd surrounded the polls, and throughout the entire city the election fever raged. A large number of votes were challenged and many an applicant for recognition at the polls was compelled to 'hold up his right hand and swear' before his vote was deposited. The large number of votes cast—218—is evidence that every available voter visited the polls. For the information of many of our readers abroad, who think an election day in Dodge City means a day of civil war, so to speak, we are glad to say that not a shot was fired, and with the exception of a few little 'unpleasantnesses,' such as are liable to occur in any well regulated community, good feeling and fair dealing prevailed on all sides. In the evening, after the result was ascertained, the friends of the winning candidates kindled a huge bonfire and held a rousing jollification meeting. Speeches were made by M. W. Sutton, Mayor elect Kelley, and others. A collation concluded the demonstration. The result is accepted by our people with earnest wishes for the success of the new Mayor's administration. The new council is composed of men of high standing in this community, and will work in unity for the best interests of the people.

City Council Official Report.

DODGE CITY, Kansas, April 3, 1877. Council met at 3 p. m. in regular monthly meeting.

Present, G. M. Hoover, Mayor.
" D. D. Colley, Councilman.
" H. B. Bell, "
" J. Mueller, "
" G. B. Cox, "
" H. E. Gryden, City Attorney.

Absent, Chas. Rath, Councilman.

The following bills were allowed:

H. E. Gryden, City Attorney and Clerk	\$16.67
L. E. Deger, salary as Marshal	\$75.00
Extra Policemen on election day	6.00
O. Ackerman, fire engine house	170.00
H. J. Fringer, goods for fire company	27.00
Pat Shugrue, work on fire company's account	15.30
James Langston, salary as City Treasurer	80.00

On motion of D. D. Colley the bill of W. C. Shinn was laid on the table.
Bill of M. Collar laid on the table on motion of D. D. Colley.
Report of Committee on Fire Engine House read and approved.
On motion of G. B. Cox Council adjourned.
H. E. GRYDEN, Clerk.
Approved, G. M. HOOVER, Mayor.

Dodge City, Kansas, April 4, 1876.

A special meeting of the City Council was held for the purpose of canvassing the vote of the municipal election of April 2, 1877.

Present, G. M. Hoover, Mayor.
" G. B. Cox, Councilman.
" D. D. Colley "
" J. Mueller "
" H. B. Bell "
" H. E. Gryden, Attorney and Clerk.

Absent, Charles Rath, Councilman.
On motion of D. D. Colley the bill of W. C. Shinn for \$27.00 was allowed.

After canvassing the vote the following parties were declared duly elected to their respective offices:

James H. Kelley Mayor.

F. J. Leonard, D. D. Colley, C. M. Beeson, Geo. B. Cox, John Newton, Councilmen.

On Motion of H. B. Bell the newly elected Mayor and Councilmen came forward and were sworn in by the Mayor.

Certificates of election, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk were issued to the Mayor and Councilmen elect.

On motion of H. B. Bell Council adjourned sine die. H. E. GRYDEN, City Clerk.

Approved, G. M. HOOVER, Mayor.

Dodge City, Kansas, April 4, 1877.

Council met in special session per call of Mayor at the written request of three members thereof, to-wit: D. D. Colley, F. J. Leonard and C. M. Beeson, for the purpose of organization and such other matters as might come up at said session.

Present, James H. Kelley, Mayor.

" Geo. B. Cox, Councilman.

" D. D. Colley, "

" C. M. Beeson, "

" John Newton, "

" F. J. Leonard, "

Upon motion Geo. B. Cox was chosen President of the Council.

Upon motion of C. M. Beeson it was ordered by the Council that all non-elective offices be declared vacant, except that of City Marshal.

Harry E. Gryden was then chosen Clerk pro tem, whereupon the Mayor appointed Edward F. Colborn City Attorney and City Clerk. The Council failing by a vote of three against to confirm said appointment, the Mayor then appointed M. W. Sutton to the said offices of City Attorney and City Clerk, which appointment was confirmed—Colley, Beeson and Cox affirmative; Leonard and Newton, negative.

M. W. Sutton then assumed the duties of City Attorney and City Clerk.

Chas. H. Schulz was then appointed City Treasurer, and confirmed by the Council.

Petition presented, Signed by F. C. Zimmermann, Chas. Rath & Co., M. Collar and J. Collar, praying that the license for dealers in general merchandise be regulated so as not to exceed forty dollars per annum, and that there be no additional charges upon coal, jewelry and lumber. Said petition being duly considered and accepted, it was ordered by the Council that the City Attorney be instructed to prepare an ordinance in accordance with the request of said petition.

The City Attorney was also instructed to prepare an ordinance regulating the license upon special merchandising, so that the same should not exceed twenty-five dollars per annum.

On motion Council adjourned.
Approved, JAMES H. KELLEY, Mayor.
MINE SUTTON, City Clerk.

Hon. W. E. Brown, ex-member of Congress from this District, arrived at his home in Hutchinson last Tuesday.

A corn eradicator visited these parts last Saturday. He wore a blue glass sky-light and was also decked with brass ears and a greasy tongue. The main point of his conversation was—corn.

From the scarcity of a first-class quality of the article in our market we think more attention should be paid to the manufacture of butter in this county.

Mr. W. L. Wood, son of Spencer S. N. Wood, of Cottonwood Falls, passed through Dodge City last Thursday with a car load of horses for the Elkhorn livery stables at Pueblo of which his brother is proprietor.

THE dead line as established by Surveyor McCarty commences at the north-east corner of the county and runs west thirteen and one-fourth miles, thence south to a point one mile south of Mulberry creek, thence east to the east line of the county. The south line is about five miles south of Pat Ryan's.